

MILFORD ANGLICAN PARISH NEWS

ST. PAUL'S BY-THE-SEA JUNE 2014



PENTECOST

Dear Parishioners,

it is hard to believe that this month includes the shortest day and midwinter. Easter has moved into Ascension and next to the great festival of Pentecost.

Christ Has No Body

Teresa of Avila (1515–1582)

*Christ has no body but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
Compassion on this world,
Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good,
Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world.
Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,
Yours are the eyes, you are his body.
Christ has no body now but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
compassion on this world.
Christ has no body now on earth but yours.*

The Southern Hemisphere Week of Christian Unity is from May 29th to June 8th. Our local celebration is on June 5th at St. Peters, Killarney Street, Takapuna. St. Peters will host a light dinner, then the ecumenical service begins at 7pm. The Canadian Church have planned the service. All are welcome. Some will remember when we met for breakfasts for the week. This month's charity is the City Mission who have moved from Orange Sunday to One Can Two Can. This year they encourage each of us to buy two cans at least to build up the winter store for food banks. We have been left big boxes to fill by June 22nd. If shopping is not possible then financial contributions may be given. Some people kindly remember to give groceries regularly.

For some years there have been two counting teams for our services. The 8 am roster has reduced in number so the 8 am collection will be now counted after the second service. Thank you to the many who have counted

so regularly, missing the social interaction after the service. We are grateful to you for this faithful ministry.

June is a birthday month with John, Rosemary, Margaret, Bob, Elvira, John Wilson and June and perhaps others celebrating. We greet you all. As well the church has its birthday called a Patronal Festival on June 29th. This year we will go the Anglican Retreat Centre, Vaughan Park, Long Bay for a service, then lunch. The grounds are lovely to explore and if the weather is good some may walk the beach. Please sign the list or phone Mary if you are coming as we need numbers for catering.

Pentecost is sometimes called the birthday of the church. We are already preparing the symbolic flames to indicate the Spirit's presence. The church always looks warm with the red balloons. Do remember to wear something red. The Holy Spirit empowers us to be the hands, feet, eyes and ears of God in our daily living, as St. Teresa suggested.

Thank you to all who went to the hospital chapel service last week, Graeme for playing and Gaylene for being the contact person.

I pray that those parishioners overseas will have happy and healthy holidays. May everyone keep well and safe as the cooler weather comes. We remember especially those on courses of treatment for existing issues.

With good wishes.

Monthly Projects - In May we collected for fresh water in Vanuatu. Thank you for the generous donations.

This month we collect for Auckland City Mission.

Winter for some people means a shortage of money for food. The City Mission is inviting Aucklanders to help Aucklanders by sharing cans of food. During early June we will be asking people to bring cans of nourishing food to stock up the supplies. Next month we will collect for the Bible Society.

Prayers for the sick – Please remember in your prayers: Pam Martin, Margaret, Jack, Lesley, Esther, Natalie, and Keith

June 2014

Sunday 1	Sunday after Ascension
Monday 2	Public holiday. Shop is closed. One can two can appeal for the City Mission begins.
Tuesday 3	10.00am Park Lane Holy Communion. Selwyn Centre 9.30am -11.30am. A time of friendship, fun and activities. Monthly lunch 11.30am cost \$5.00. All welcome. Let Mary know if you will be attending.
Wednesday 4	10.00am Holy Communion and Oil for healing. Morning tea and Study.
Thursday 5	10.00am mainly music. A preschool programme for families with music, dance and activities. Cost \$3.00. Interchurches celebration of the week of Christian unity. Light meal at St. Peters followed by a service. We need a reader. Joyce is preaching.
Saturday 7	Decorating the church for Pentecost. 4.15pm.
Sunday 8	Pentecost day. Red coloured food for morning tea. Wear something red.
Tuesday 10	10.30am Holy Communion Lady Allum. Selwyn Centre 9.30 to 12.00. Join us for fun, puzzles, friendship and morning tea. Cost \$3.00
Wednesday 11	St. Barnabas Day.10.00am Holy Communion. Morning tea and study.
Thursday 12	Mainly music 10.00am. Reading, music, toys, and morning tea \$3.00 per family.
Sunday 15	Trinity Sunday. Disability awareness Sunday.
Monday 16	Lifespring church is holding a daytime meeting in the hall.
Tuesday 17	Selwyn centre 9.30 to 12.00. Join us for fun, friendship and morning tea. Cost \$3.00.
Wednesday 18	Holy Communion. Morning tea and Study.
Thursday 19	Mainly music. Activities, music, food and fun for preschoolers. \$3.00 per family.
Friday 20	Midwinter day. Youth event to the Wave pool at Henderson.
Sunday 22	Te Pouhere Sunday. The one can, two can appeal finishes.
Tuesday 24	Selwyn Centre 9.30am-12noon. Conversation, fun, friendship and

	nice morning tea. Come and join us. Cost \$3.00. 7.30pm Vestry.
Wednesday 25	Holy Communion. Morning tea and study.
Thursday 26	10.00am mainly music. Fun, food, music and friends. Cost \$3.00 a family.
July Tuesday 1	Selwyn Centre 9.30am-11.30am followed by monthly lunch. Seasons A.G.M 7.30pm at St. Paul's Church.
Wednesday 2	10.00am Holy Communion and Oil for healing. Morning tea and Study.
Thursday 3	Final session for mainly music for the term.
Friday 4	State School holidays.
Sunday 6	Refugee Sunday.
Sunday 13	Sea Sunday.
Sunday 20	Bible Sunday.
Sunday 27	Social Service Sunday.

Seasons North Shore is seeking adults to work with children in Seasons programmes on the North Shore and Hibiscus Coast. *Seasons* is an Anglican Social Service that runs peer support groups for children who are missing someone important from their daily life due to a death, the separation or divorce of their parents or other major family change. This is a volunteer role, and would involve you in two 8-session programmes a year (sessions are held once a week for one hour). Full training is provided. You will need skill or natural ability with listening, group facilitation, and an understanding of children and grief. If you are interested in working alongside these children, aged 5-12 years, please contact Megan Bowden for further information and an application form – phone (09)4105117 or email seasonsnorthshore@gmail.com. Since April of last year 115 people have participated in Seasons programmes across our North Shore & Hibiscus Coast areas, hence our need for additional adult Companions.

On this winter's day we are warmed

**By the beauty of this place in which we live,
By the company of family and friends
By our passion for justice and peace.**

An original thought from Lynne Firth.

The Key

There's a door and a key
And it's cold outside
And the search is stated
On bended knee.
The wind blows chill
And the fire through the window
Calls invitingly

There's a clamour of voices all around
Advising, cajoling incessantly
But there's only one voice
Can help in your search
And it has a softer sound.
The noise grows greater
And it's harder to hear
The voice that tells
Where the key can be found.

And it has to be found if you want to be free
Of the freezing fear and chilling dread
Of a purposeless life and gain, instead,
A sense of the reason,
A sight of the aim
Of an earthly existence

Which isn't a game
But a search for the key
That will open the door
To a life of fulfilment
And a yearning for more.

An original poem written by Jean Parker

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Worship every Sunday:

Holy Communion (BCP)

Eucharist (NZPB)

Karen Stubbs – 410 8089

Weekday Communion -10am - Every Wednesday at St. Paul's
Baptism, Marriage, Funerals - By arrangement with the Vicar

Clergy:

Joyce Marcon 486 1010 –or - 021 616 390

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Priest Rev'd John Marcon 486 1010

8am

9.30am

9.30am J Team –

Vicar Rev'd

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(Office – Tuesday- Friday 1.00pm to 5.00pm)

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Ethan Kolodzinski

Vestry members:The Wardens, Treasurer, Synod Reps. Patrick Jackson, Gaylene Hotchkiss, Tania Manuel, Robin Norris, Tex Riley, Karen Stubbs, , Jack Weir.

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